House Resolution No. 2893

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens, particularly those who have given their professional lives to educating this great state's future citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Sherri L. Shumaker, a resident of Blue Springs, Missouri, and a debate teacher and coach at Blue Springs High School, who will be honored at the Blue Springs High School National Forensic League Banquet on Saturday evening, May 10, 2008, at Garozzo's Ristorante in Lee's Summit, Missouri; and

Whereas, a member of the National Forensic League with a Fourth Diamond status, Sherri Shumaker is universally acknowledged by her colleagues, students, and the whole community for her exemplary performance, dedication, and effectiveness as an educator; and

Whereas, Sherri Shumaker has over one hundred students at Blue Springs High School, and she is well known for her devotion to her students and their well being as individuals inside and outside of the classroom; and

Whereas, famous for maximizing the resources she is given, Sherri Shumaker is proud that thirteen members of the Blue Springs High School Forensics and Debate Team qualified for the National Forensic League National Tournament, which will be held June 16 through June 20, 2008, in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

Whereas, the Team's participation in this National Tournament will include not only the expected pressures of competition, but the added distress of having lost their classmate and Debate Team President Garrett Clark in an automobile accident on March 4, 2008, a distress that Sherri Shumaker "Shu" has actively and successfully tried to minimize; and

Whereas, Sherri Shumaker is the beloved daughter of Vernal Shumaker:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere gratitude to Sherri Shumaker for her many significant contributions as an educator to her school, community, and state; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution Sherri L. Shumaker.

Offered by	
	Representative Gary Dusenberg
	District No. 54

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2893, adopted May 8, 2008.